Habitat Project Proposal

Proposal Title: Buckhorn Tamarisk Removal Proposal Number: 1233 **DWR Region:** Southeastern Region Lead Agency: BLM County: Emery Project Manager: Karl Ivory PM Phone: 4356133717 Regional Priority: Within Focus Area Project Type: Terrestrial Habitat Proposed Start Date: 07/01/2008 Project Location: Buckhorn Draw in the San Rafael Swell Follow-up herbicide treatment of tamarisk in Buckhorn Draw. The project would encompass all the drainage bottoms within the entire **Project Description:** Buckhorn Draw watershed (approximately 1200 Acres). Tamarisk is spreading into uninfested areas within the Buckhorn drainage. A large tamarisk reduction project will be completed on Description of June 14-21, 2008 as part of a National Boy Scout Service Project in conjunction with the Forest Service and the Bureau of Land Problem/Need: Management. Members of the Skyline Weed Management Area will also contribute to the project. The herbicide treatment is estimated to be 80% effective, so a follow-up treatment will be needed in the Fall of 2008 and spring/summer of 2009. This proposal is to request funding for the herbicide. Cooperators from the Skyline Weed Management Area will apply the herbicide as part of their planned project work for 2009. Objectives: Reduce and eventually eliminate tamarisk within the Buckhorn drainage. Buckhorn Draw is within the San Rafael River drainage, which has planned actions to restore the San Rafael River drainage with native Relevance to Strategic Plans: species. **Potential Risks:** The herbicide, Garlon4, will be applied through the Skyline Weed Management group with ATV sprayers and backpacker sprayers. **Proposed Methods:** Application will take place on young resprouts in the fall of 2008 and the spring of 2009. Seed Source: Shapefile Name: Buckhorn Tamarisk Removal_Nad 83.shp UPCD Reg Team Coord Date: 01/15/2008 **Proposed NEPA Action:** Proposed **Arch Action:** Vegetation Monitoring Wildlife Monitoring Monitorina Photo documentation of treated areas will be maintained to determine the success of herbicide treatment and the reduction of tamarisk. Information: No grazing in the main Buckhorn Draw. Other areas within the project area would be grazed as permitted by BLM and SITLA. Grazing Management: **SPECIES BENEFITING** Mule Deer Bighorn Sheep Peregrine Falcon Black-throated Gray V LAND OWNERSHIP Owner Acres BLM 816

Total

384

1200

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PROPOSED FUNDING

| Source | Amount Requested | Date Approved | Amount Approved |
|----------------------|---------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| DNR Watershed (FY09) | \$4,000.00 | | \$0.00 |
| BLM | \$3,000.00 | | \$0.00 |
| Other | \$5,000.00 | | \$0.00 |
| Totals | \$12,000.00 | | \$0.00 |

PROPOSED BUDGET

| Item | Description | | DWR Account | In Kind/ Partner Contrib. |
|------------------------|---------------------------------|--------|-------------|------------------------------|
| Materials and Supplies | Herbicide (Garlon4) | | \$4,000.00 | \$0.00 |
| Personal Services | Personal time and equipment use | | \$0.00 | \$8,000.00 |
| | | Totals | \$4,000.00 | \$8,000.00 |

Project Map:

